

## Kids Column

### Show that You Believe in Jesus!

James 2:14-18



In today's second reading, Saint James tells us that we can't just say that we have faith. We need to show it by what we do.

Being a follower of Jesus means believing in Him, and also doing what He wants us to do.

Do you know what God wants you to do? He wants you to obey His commandments. That means He wants you to listen to your parents and teachers, and not steal or lie or be mean to other kids.



You can also show your faith by doing good works, like being nice to other people.

What are some kind things you can do for someone today and tomorrow?



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#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least **6 weeks** before the date.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples must contact the Parish Office to arrange at least **6 months** before the desired date.

#### MASS INTENTIONS:

Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.

## The 7 Sorrows of Mary

1. The Prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:34-35)
2. The Flight into Egypt (Matthew 2:13-21)
3. The Loss of Jesus for Three Days (Luke 2:41-50)
4. The Carrying of the Cross (John 19:17)
5. The Crucifixion of Jesus (John 19:18-30)
6. Jesus Taken Down from the Cross (John 19:39-40)
7. Jesus Laid in the Tomb (John 19:39-42)

The Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows is September 15th

#### PRAYER DURING THE HURRICANE SEASON

O Lord, our God and Father, who gives rain and sunshine to your children, we ask you in this rainy season to uphold us and provide for our needs.

You try our patience and test our faith and reliance on you; forgive our sin of ingratitude. So often have we forgotten to thank you for your goodness and acts of mercy. Teach us to look up to you each day, appreciative of rain and sunshine, as you, in your wisdom, through any kind of weather do feed us all.

In your mercy, protect us against hurricanes and tropical storms. Pour out your blessings upon our nation and our people, and make us grateful for the weather we receive from your bountiful hand.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 15TH SEPT 2024 - YEAR B

### *Journeying with the Lord.*

In today's Gospel, we reach a pivotal moment in our walk with the Lord. After weeks of listening to His words and witnessing His deeds, together with the disciples we're asked to decide who Jesus truly is. Peter answers for them, and for us too, when he declares: "You are the Christ."

Many expected the Messiah to be a miracle worker who would vanquish Israel's enemies and restore the kingdom of David. Jesus reveals a different portrait. He calls Himself the Son of Man, evoking the royal figure Daniel saw in his heavenly visions.

But Jesus' kingship is not to be of this world, and the path to His throne, as He reveals, is by way of suffering and death. Jesus identifies the Messiah with the suffering servant that Isaiah foretells in the First Reading. The words of Isaiah's servant are Jesus' words as He gives Himself to be shamed and beaten, trusting that God will be His help. We hear our Lord's voice again in the Psalm, as He gives thanks that God has freed Him from the cords of death.

As Jesus tells us, to believe that He is the Messiah is to follow His way of self-denial, losing our lives to save them, in order to rise with Him to new life. Our faith, we hear again in the Epistle, must express itself in works of love. Notice that Jesus questions the Apostles "on the way." They are on the way to Jerusalem, where the Lord will lay down His life.

We, too, are on a journey with the Lord. We must take up our cross, giving to others and enduring all our trials for His sake and the sake of the Gospel. Our lives must be an offering of thanksgiving for the new life He has given us until that day when we reach our destination and walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

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St. Joseph the Worker Parish  
Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

#### CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday  
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.  
&  
by appointment

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#### SUNDAY READINGS

#### First Reading

Is. 50:5-9

#### Second Reading

Jas.2:14-18

#### Gospel

Mk.8:27-35

#### MASS TIMES

#### Gros Islet

Morning Prayers:

Mon -Fri

5:45 a.m.



#### MONDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



#### TUESDAY

6:00 a.m.



#### WEDNESDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.

G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.



#### THURSDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



#### FRIDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



#### SATURDAY

6:30 a.m./6:00 p.m.



#### SUNDAY

Gros Islet/G. Riviere

7:30 a.m.

Gros Islet/Monchy

10:00 a.m.



#### HOLIDAY

Variable



**Saint Matthew, Apostle - Feast Day September 21st**

Saint Matthew was one of the twelve apostles of Jesus and one of the four Evangelists. Christian tradition has always identified him with Levi, mentioned in Mark 2:14 and Luke 5:27. Thus Matthew is thought to have been the name that Christ gave Levi at his calling.

Matthew was a tax collector at Capernaum, which is traditionally designated as the place of his birth. Tax collectors were despised in the ancient world, especially among the Jews at the time of Christ, who saw the imposition of taxes as a mark of their occupation by the Romans.

Jesus' contemporaries were surprised to see the Christ with a "traitor", but Jesus explained that he had come "not to call the just, but sinners." Matthew was the first to put down in writing Jesus' teachings and the account of His life. His Gospel was written in Aramaic, the language that Jesus Himself spoke. Matthew's Gospel is given pride of place in the canon of the New Testament, and was written to convince Jewish readers that their anticipated Messiah had come in the person of Jesus.

After Christ's Death, Resurrection, and Ascension, Saint Matthew is said to have preached the Gospel to the Hebrews for as many as fifteen years (during which time he wrote his Gospel), before heading east to continue his efforts at evangelization. His audiences may have included the Jewish enclave in Ethiopia.

By tradition, he, like all of the apostles with the exception of Saint John the Evangelist, was martyred, but accounts of his martyrdom vary widely. All place it somewhere in the East, but, as the Catholic Encyclopedia notes, "it is not known whether he was burned, stoned, or beheaded."

Because of the mystery surrounding Saint Matthew's martyrdom, his feast day is not consistent in the Western and Eastern Churches. In the West, his feast is celebrated on September 21; in the East, on November 16.

Traditional iconography often shows Saint Matthew with a money sack and account books, to signify his old life as a tax collector, and an angel above or behind him, to signify his new life as a messenger of Christ.

He is the patron saint of accountants, bankers, bookkeepers, customs officers, money managers, stock brokers and tax collectors.

*"(Jesus) said to (Matthew), 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed Him."*

*Matt. 9:9*

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday  
& Friday: 9:00am to 2:00pm.  
Closed Tuesdays**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**THE SICK**

Patsy Crafton  
Iris Macauldy  
Martha Mason  
Teresa Huntley  
Marie Joseph

**DECEASED**

Azaira Bertin  
Roger Walcott  
Magdalene Lubin  
Mary Jean Mendes

**WEEKDAY READINGS**



**MONDAY**

1Cor.11:17-26,33  
Lk.7:1-10



**TUESDAY**

1Cor.12:12-14,27-31  
Lk.7:11-17



**WEDNESDAY**

1Cor.12:31-13:13  
Lk.7:31-35



**THURSDAY**

1Cor.15:1-11  
Lk.7:36-50



**FRIDAY**

1Cor.15:12-20  
Lk.8:1-3



**SATURDAY**

Eph.4:1-7,11-13  
Mt.9:9-13



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**GROS ISLET**

**CLERGY/RELIGIOUS**

**INTENTIONS**

**23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B**

**Sat Sept 14 - 6:00 p.m.**

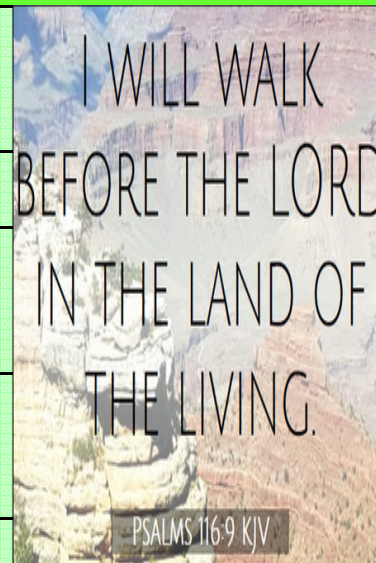
**Sun Sept 15 - 7:30 a.m.**

*Catechist Sunday*

**10:00 a.m.**

**Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.**

**Monchy - 10:00 a.m.**



**Thks:** Algitha Richelieu & family  
**Healing:** Dionysia Sealy-Compton  
**B'day:** Suzette Dussiel, Omega St. John  
**Holy Spirit:** Genevieve Gregg & family

**MISSA PRO POPULO**

**B'day:** Izayah James  
**Thks:** Martha Fontenelle  
Jonathan & Myron Fontenelle  
Corinth Secondary School Class of 1984

**B'day:** Philomene Lorde  
Felicite Augustin  
**Int:** Joachim Ermay & family  
G/R Church Bldg Project

**Thks:** Vaughan Edwin

**WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Mon Sept 16 - 6:00 a.m.**

*St. Cornelius-Pope  
St. Cyprian- Bishop  
Martyrs*

Rev. John Douglas

**Dc'd:** Rev. Winston Taylor  
Berthilia Vite, James & Helen Prudent

**Sat Sept 21 - 6:30 a.m.**

*St. Matthew  
Apostle & Evangelist*

Rev. Anthony Louis  
Rev. Robert Harvey

**Dc'd:** Kenneth Morgan  
Alexander & Elda Lionel  
Charles & Egbert Lionel

**CATECHISTS - Missionaries of Healing and Service**

Catechetical Month is meant to recognise catechists in our parishes who in serve as "evangelisers with the Spirit" As representatives of the Church, Catechists are called to be passionate about Jesus Christ, serving as missionaries of healing and service, as they accompany the many men, women and children whom they encounter.

As missionaries of healing, catechists must recognise healing as a continuous process and as a component of mission. They must see their catechetical role as one that is invitational, constantly inviting those being catechised to full, active and conscious participation in the liturgy, where the source of all healing resides in the Eucharistic species.

They are also urged to see themselves as missionaries of service, who are on mission not to be served, but to be persons of service. Recognising that service to others is not optional, they are called to be witnesses to and imitators of Christ, ministering in His name, and making every effort to be persons willing to serve with humility, compassion, patience and charity or love.

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